## FORTUNE GOES UP IN A STABLE FIRE

Downey's Loss Is Placed at a Handred Thousand.

COSTLY VEHICLES BURNED

Ambassadors and Senators Lose Their Equipages-Electric Light Wire Starts Blaze.

One hundred and forty horses, many of which were thoroughbreds, were released, and driven pell-mell into L. Street, between Sixteenth and Seventeenth Streets northwest, sesterday. They created a panic among the several thousand persons who were attracted to Downey's stables, 1622-28 L Street northwest, by a fire, which origi-nated from a defectively insulated electric wire, and which did \$100,000 dam

animals were finally coralled by police-men, firemen, and citizens, and tied up

Many carriages and private equipages, belonging to members of the Diplomatic Corps and the United States Senate, were in the building, when the fire oc-curred, and every one of them was de-

with the flames until 4 o'clock in the afternoon, before extinguishing them.
Rube Waddell, the pitcher of the Philadelphia American League baseball team, assisted the firemen in fighting

There was some unfavorable comment and criticism from spectators, because of the delay, on the part of the firemen, in getting water on the fire. A street car knocked down one of the bridges erected over the tracks to carry the hose over the cars, so as to prevent blocking traffic. When the bridge fell the hose was detached from a plug. This caused the delay.

Commissioner Macfarland, who was attending church, left, and went to the scene of the fire. He made an investiscene of the fire. He made an investigation into the delay, and satisfied himself that the firemen did all they could.

Major Sylvester, Lieutenant Boyle, and Sergeant Doyle, together with reserves from all of the police precincts in the city, preserved order.

A handsome carriage just completed.

This Afternoon.

A handsome carriage, just completed for the French ambassador, was stored in the stable. The vehicle is said to have cost upward of \$2,000. It was burned to ashes, together with the private con-

Heavy Losses.

Mr. Downey, today, said the amount Huston, vice president-at-large, was in of stock consurted by the flames was the chair.

Valued at \$40,000, on which he had \$30,000 Encouraging reports from various of-The amount of loss which is said to have fallen on the parties having handsume carriages in the stable is estimated at \$25,000 or \$30,000. Mr. Downey has \$25,000 or \$30,000. Mr. Downey has \$25,000 the summance on the building, which will all fixed have to be rebuilt from the ground. He was doing business today. The fire insurance companies involved were the Aetna, Potomac, hamburg Hoyal, Colonial, and Phoenix.

Stopped Services.

At the time of the discovery of the fire services were being held in the Shiloh Baptist Church, which actions the stable on the left. The roar of the fiames, yelling of the stable hands, and noise made by the firemen and their apparatus disturbed the sames. J. M. Hallers, standard heart Mrs. J. B. Hallers, standard heart Mrs. J. M. Hallers, standard heart Mrs. E. D. M. Hallers, standard heart Mrs. E. M. M. Moore; assistant treasurer. Miss Ada. A. Fowler; mite fiames, yelling of the stable hands, and noise made by the firemen and their

noise made by the firemen and their apparatus disturbed the services. The Rev. J. C. Taylor was reading his text at the time, but did not stop. After inshing the reading he informed the compact of the pronouncing benediction and expressing a hope that the edifice would be saved, he dismissed the congregation.

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while one of the stable hands in Mr. Downey's employ was on the fourth floor of the building wiping off a carriage, he heard a sputter and crackling and after some time smelled smoke. He investigated and found that the eaves had been set after by the electric wire. He sent out the alarm. Realizing that there was not a moment to waste in running to a fire alarm box, Mr. Downey reached to the messenger call box and turned in an alarm from it also. The alarm was sent to engine company 1, at Seventeenth and K Streets northwest, just back of the stable. Members of this command were on the scene in a moment. A pedestrian passing along K Street saw the flames issuing from the southwest part of the roof of the building and turned in an alarm from Sixteenth and M Streets.

General Alarm.

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Mr. Downey called his men, formed a bucket brigade, and worked manfully, pleted, but could not extinguish the blaze bebucket brigade, and worked manfully, but could not extinguish the blaze because of the headway it had gained. The foreman of No. I company turned in another alarm. When the other firemen cities, visiting a score of famous museures ponded and Chief Wagner saw the responded and Chief Wagner saw the last week.

Cases Fewer.

This year's docket contains 383 cases, which is fifty less than were on the docket a year ago at this time. The one in which there is probably the greatest public interest is that of "Swift & Co."

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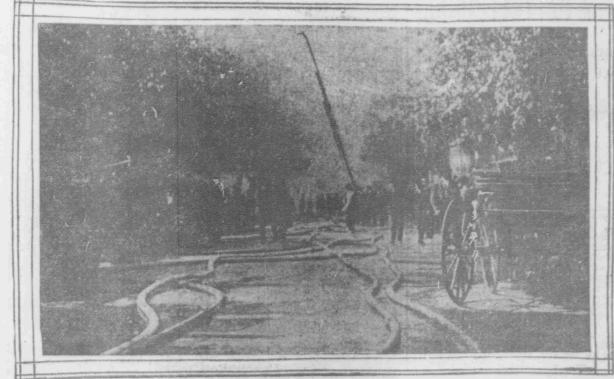
an Increase.

"Members of No. 1 Engine Company are deserving of the highest praise for the good work. The foreman is to be commended for turning in the alarm Holt Company Declines to Handle Any the fight between the Western Union for assistance so promptly. Had he not done so when he did a few other houses would have been burned to the ground. The members of the command

FIRE SCENES AT DOWNEYS STABLES



COMMISSIONER MACFARLAND LOOKING ON



WATER TOWN IN ACTION

police court this morning Virginia Gordon, Ida Freeman, and Harrie Robinson, all negroes, who had been arrested by Policemen Gili, Smith, and Nicholson, were arraigned on the charge of selling

stroyed. Downey lost 200 vehicles of his own.

The fire was discovered by a stable hand at 11:40 a. m., and firemen battled with the flames until 4 o'clock in the flames until 4 o'clock

bags were thrown over the heads of the most troublesome ones and they were led out by their manes.

Great quantities of expensive harness were also carried out by the police and spectators.

Members of Truck B were the first to run a ladder up in front of the building, and Private Helmuth, of No. 6, scaled up the rounds two at a time. Perched at the top of the ladder he turned on the water from the hose he carried, which shot through a window like a cannon ball just as the flames burst out of it. The crowd cheered him.

## MEETING NEAR END

This Afternoon.

Reports of officers formed the chief business of the second and concluding day's session of the annual convention of revances of Senators Wetmore, Dryden, day's session of the annual convention of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Sond Mrs. Westinghouse. Mr. Downey's assortment of fine traps, victorias, coupes and tallyhos were also destroyed.

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In the absence of Mrs. J. Ellen Foster, the president of the society, Mrs. M. S.

informace, making his loss \$20,000. ow! ficers and committees were submitted. The amount of loss which is said to to the delegates in attendance, and from

# FOR NEW MUSEUM

Holmes, chief of the Bureau of Eth- down by the court. Last term cases nology, from an extensive trip abroad have been pretty well cleared up, and the final plans for the new National but few that are of general importance Museum in Washington are being com- or interest remain undecided.

More Until End of the Russo-Japanese War.

ground. The members of the command got right in between the fire on the fourth and third floors and worked as they never did before. The position which they took was the most important of all and they did good work. In all there were 125 firemen on the scene, and I never saw them work more intelligently, effectively, or quicker in mylife."

Chief Belt took entire command of the forces and directed the working, assigning the men where they could do the most good. A portion of the Fire Department was stationed in the alley in the rear of the stable, so as to provent the destructive fames from spreading to K Street houses, and number of policemen rescaled the carry Hay may a number of policemen rescaled the carry Hay may a number of policemen rescaled the carry Hay may a number of policemen rescaled the carry Hay may a number of policemen rescaled the carry Hay may a number of policemen rescaled the carry Hay may a number of policemen rescaled the stable, so as to provent the destructive fames from spreading to K Street houses.

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CHIEF BELT DIRECTING HIS MEN.

### Supreme Court Meets For October Business

Lawyers Admitted to the Bar, and a Call Made at the White House-Many Celebrated Cases to Be Heard This Term.

morrow and the presentation of argu-Monday, October 17, will be the first day With the return of Prof. William H. upon which opinions will be handed

responded and Chief Wagner saw the serious nature of the configgration he has week.

Sounded three other alarms, which brought out almost every piece of fire-fighting apparatus and every fireman in the district.

Engine companies 1, 9, 7, 2, 6, 5, 14, 10.

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Ingine Company arrived, and turned in the general alarm. Speaking of the fire today he said:

Chief Belt's View.

"I saw that volume of smoke coming from the building and knew it meant business. It was exactly like the one which came from Stumph's furniture store and burned the building and knew it meant business. It was exactly like the one which came from Stumph's furniture store and burned the building to the ground in seventeen minutes.

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Telegraph Company and the Pennsylva-nia Rallroad Company, involving the right of the latter to cut down the poles of the former along its right of way. Next to the beef trust case the ar-

The Supreme Court of the United unearthed in the Interior Department States reassembled today at noon for its are to be decided. There is a controversy pending between Kansas and Following established custom, no offi- Colorado, involving the priority of water color business was transacted beyond the admission of attorneys to the bar. This done, the members of the court, headed remain in the liquor business without done, the members of the court, headed by the venerable Chief Justice, Melville Daying a license tax to the United W. Fuller, proceeded to the White House, where they paid their respects to the President. For this call the justices were attired in frock coats and high hats, having doffed their silken judicial robes before leaving the Capitol.

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# FUNSTON SAYS SOLDIERS

American army with the Northwestern mounted police of Canada, and urges that an effort be made to bring the American troops up to the Canadian standard.

In his report General Davis included an extract from the report of Capt. C. D. Roberts, acting judge advocate of the Department of Texas, who makes a plea for the canteen. He says dive-

Presidential candidate. National Committeeman Norris, the Jackson Associa-

Fewer Courts-Martial,

PLEA FOR THE CAMPAIGN

Dive-Keepers Causing Trouble at New Army Post-Thirty Officers Convicted.

Discipline in the army improved in a marked degree during the year which ended June 30. The annual report of Judge Advocate General Davis, which was made public today, shows there were 1,026 less courts-martial than in the previous year.

deacons, William A. Pettis, Henry C. during the week for Columbia, S. C., where he is employed by the Southern Railroad.

Miss Sabine Siebert, of 1254 Thirty-second Street, has returned from a visit, to the St. Louis exposition.

for the year which closed in June was 4,249. Thirty commissioned officers were tried by courts-martial and convicted be held this evening at Stohlman's Hall, and seven were acquitted.

Convicted of Larceny.

comes second, and on this offense 803 were convicted. Failure to attend drill MRS. SPATES SERIOUSLY ILL. were convicted. Failure to attend drill
was the charge on which 270 men were
convicted, and a similar number was
convicted for disobeying non-commissioned officers.
The number of men convicted of larceny was 248 and 229 were found guilty
of drunkenness on duty.

Plea for Canteen,

MRS. SPATES SEKIOUSLY ILL.

Mrs. Marian Spates, of 3403 P Street
northwest, is lying dangerously ill at
her home.

MR. COLLINS CONVALESCENT.

The many friends of George T. Collins, of 1225 Twenty-ninth Street, will
be pleased to hear that he is rapidly releading and determination to resist temptation.

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WITH RECEPTION PLANS

Local Democrats are busy today arranging final details of the reception tomorrow to Henry G. Davis, the Vice Presidents!

### BITTEN BY MAD DOG

### were arraigned on the charge of seiling liquor on Sunday without a license. Some of the witnesses not being able to appear, the cases were postponed untit tomorrow morning. The police are after all speakeasies, and are arresting everyone thought to be engaged in the unlawful sale of liquor. EVANGELISTIC MEETINGS SET. ARRESTING ALL VAGRANTS. Beginning tomorrow night the Rev. R. D. Rodgers, evangelist, will hold a series of meetings at the village chapel. Since the law making vagrancy a mis

ALEXANDRIA NEWS NOTES

ALEXANDRIA. Va., Oct. 10.—In the oming Presidential election. They office court this morning Virginia Gorwill remain at their posts until sunset this evening.

RETAIL MERCHANTS TO MEET.

SOME OLD HOUSES.

The Retail Merchants' Protective Association will hold a business meeting at the rooms of the Business Men's League at the southeast corner of King and Washington Streets, tonight. After the meeting a banquet will be served.

Alexandria now shows at the intersec-tion of King and Fairfax Streets speci-mens of the houses of four periods in the last 150 years. The Ramsay house,

on one corner was built in 1753-54. The Mandeville house, on another corner, was erected about 1786. The Mount house, on the third corner, was put 18 in 1802-03, and Burke & Herbert's Bank, now being finished, is erected in 1904. There are few pizces in the Union, perhaps none, at which architecture of five generations is illustrated within a compass of less than sixty yards.

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demeanor went into effect, the Alexan dria police have been making war on the idle men and women in this city. This morning Mary Roberts, Mamie Morrison, morning Mary Roberts, Maine Morrison, Laura Cerroll, Nellie Stewart, and Charles Jones, all negroes, were fined \$2.50 each by Justice Caton for being vagrants. They were arrested by Po-licemen Gill, Nicholson, and Smith.

INTERFERED WITH POLICE.

Clifton Ostel, a white man, was arrest-ed by Policemen Smith and Nicholson last night on the charge of interfering with the police while in the discharge of their duty. Justice Caton fined Ostel \$2.50 for disorderly conduct.

CORPORATION COURT OPENS.

The October term of the corporation PEARL HUNTING COAT. Barley, at the court house, in North Fairfax Street, this rooming. The docket was called and cases set for hearing during the term.

dria police force, became possessed today of a most useful antique in the shape of a hunting coat of fine pearl cloth of the fashion in use in this neighborhood.

ONE MINISTER FROM ABROAD.

The only minister from abroad who occupied a pulpit in an Alexandria church yesterday was the Rev. J. A. Garrett, who preached at the Second Presbyterian Church at 7:30 p. m.

WILL SPEAK AT MANASSAS.

Next Thursday James R. Caton and C. C. Carlin, of this city, will address the voters of Manassas, at Nicol's Hall, on the issues of the present campaign.

the fashion in use in this neighborhood 150 years ago. It has a large pocket for birds, provision for shot, and an excellent place to carry a flask of the inevitable, and is altogether, despite its age, a striking article of dress, reminding one of the pictures of "Richard Carvel."

It is more than likely that the coat was worn by some of the hunters who accompanied General Washington, as it came from one of the oldest family dwellings in the city.

COURT WILL VISIT COUNCIL.

Oriental Court, No. 16, Junior O. U.

DIMANNU DILLE the issues of the present campaign,
REGISTRY OFFICE OPEN.

The registrars of the different voting precincts were at their desks, from sunrise this morning to register voters for the different voting precincts were at their desks, from sunrise this morning to register voters for the different voting precincts were at their desks, from sunrise this morning to register voters for the different voting precincts were at their desks, from sunrise this morning to register voters for the different voting precincts were at their desks, from sunrise the different voting precincts were at their desks, from sunrise the different voting precincts were at their desks, from sunrise the different voting precincts were at their desks, from sunrise the different voting precincts were at their desks, from sunrise the different voting precincts were at their desks, from sunrise the different voting precincts were at their desks, from sunrise the different voting precincts were at their desks, from sunrise the different voting precincts were at their desks, from sunrise the different voting precincts were at their desks, from sunrise the desks, from sunrise the different voting precincts were at their desks, from sunrise the different voting precincts were at their desks, from sunrise the desks at the different voting precinct were at the desks, from sunrise the desks at the desks

### NEWS OF GEORGETOWN

the following officers were elected to serve for the ensuing term: Elders, Henry F. Kunkel and A. P. Beatty; deacons, William A. Pettis, Henry G. Wagner, and James M. Richardson; treasurer, Dr. Maurice Walnurgers of the congregative personal street, waters, of 1322 Thirty-second Street, is on an extended visit to Denver, Col., being called away on account of the illness of her son, William C. Waters.

Joseph Dugan during the personal mention.

The total number of courts-martial G. A. R. MEN WILL MEET.

on N Street.

Convicted of Larceny.

Four cadets were tried and convicted by courts-martial. The number of soldiers tried and convicted was 3,897 and 311 privates were acquitted.

Desertion was the chief offense. The number of soldiers convicted on this charge was 1,036. Absence without leave comes second, and on this offense second and on this offense second.

bia, makes an appeal for increased pay for enlisted men in his annual report to the War Department, which was made public today.

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The Rev. Frank H. Havenner, pastor of the Dumbarton Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church, left town last week for St. Louis, accompanied by his sister, Miss Nina Havenner, and his cousin, Miss Gussie Russell.

The party will spend two weeks viewing the sights of the exposition.

Miss Lillie Bremerman of the exposition.

Indorsed by flembers of a Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Write Dr. W. R. Brown, 218 Tremont St., Boston, for trial package and letter of advice fidential and destroyed soon as answered. White Ribbon Remedy sold by drugglist everywhere also sent by mail in plain package, price \$1.00.

Sold and recommended by special agent in Washington. Stevens' Pharmacy, Pa. Ave. and Ninth St.

Miss Lillie Bremerman, of 1314 Twenty-ninth Street, left last Saturday to spend several weeks at the St. Louis Exposi-tion.

MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE.

Mignature

J. Holdsworth Gordon and Frank J. Wissner have been appointed members of the advisory committee of the Cen-tral Democratic association, represent-ing the fourth district.

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